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Is MacArthur the real menace?

The military plot for a fascist U.S.

By Tabitha Petran

MacARTHUR's ouster appeared to many to be the traditional American assertion of civil over military authority. The President, however, did not publicly advance this argument—perhaps because the military has so captured the reins of power during his Administration that civil authority, like soldiers who can no longer keep in step, is fading away.

In fact it was the dominant military clique, headed by Marshall, Bradley, Eisenhower, that fired MacArthur. So completely has big business achieved its aims that the only quarrel among the dominant groups is between two generals, two battlefields, two war policies.

A big-business-military dictatorship is being prepared in the U.S. On April 3 Rep. Thomas Werdel (R-Cal.) reported to Congress at length on the Pentagon's part in this plot, backing up his charges with "highly classified" documents he made public to break

> ". . . the iron curtain around the Pentagon, [erected] through the method of marking confidential and secret certain documents describing their plans which should be public record."

The obscure Congressman could have done nothing less calculated to end his obscurity. The press ignored Werdel's revelations, just as 17 years ago it suppressed the Morgan-DuPont attempt to set up a military dictator—first Gen. Smedley Butler (who told all), then Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

HOW IT STARTED: Today not MacArthur, but Eisenhower, is being groomed by the financial groups that dominate the country. After six years their plan is close to fulfilment. It began this way:

In 1945, with the nation facing release of 12,000,000 men from the armed forces and a possible $100,000,000,000 drop in production, two courses were charted to prevent economic collapse. Roosevelt proposed an Economic Bill of Rights, trade, higher living standards around the world; Big Business charted a "permanent war economy," continuance of the "three-way partnership" of government, industry and army (in the words of Morgan's Charles Wilson, now mobilization tsar).

To put over this program the dominant financial groups, dropping their old NAM opposition to government "interference" and eager not to repeat the Hitler experience, determined to control government directly.

BLOODY WEDDING: Having blackmailed their way into government under FDR, they cemented their position at the war's end by marriage to the military. Both needed huge government expenditures and a war policy to perpetuate their profits and power.

During the war many a financial tycoon had donned uniform. For example William Draper of Dillon Read (Morgan-Rockefeller linked) because a General and later Under-Secy. of Army; William Knudsen of General Motors (Morgan-Dupont) became a Lieut. Gen. and head of war production; Charles E. Saltzman, vice-pres. of the N.Y. Stock Exchange, became a Brig. General, later Asst. Secy. of State.

After the war, generals and admirals got top posts in the big corporations. For example:

> Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell—pres. of Mellon's Koppers Co.
>
> Lt. Gen. James Doolittle—vice-pres. & director, Shell Union Oil (Royal Dutch Shell).
>
> Ord. Chief Lieut. Gen. Levin Campbell—vice-pres. of Intl. Harvester (McCormick-Chicago group), director, American Steel Foundries.
>
> Maj. Gen. G. M. Barnes—vice-pres., Budd Co. (Morgan).
>
> Lieut. Gen. Harold George— pres. & board chairman Peruvian Airways, vice-pres. Hughes Tool Co., gen. manager Hughes Aircraft.
>
> Gen. Leslie Groves—head of Manhattan Project, director, Remington Rand (where he may soon be joined by MacArthur).
>
> Adm. Bull Halsey—director I.T.&T. (Morgan), board chairman I.T.&T. subsidiary American Cables & Radio.
>
> Adm. Ellery Stone—director I.T.&T.

BRASS IN FALSE BEARDS: The intermarriage was paralleled by the movement of both groups, in unprecedented strength, into the government. Within two years 170 top civilian posts in government were filled with former

REP. THOMAS WERDEL
Too hot for publication

army and navy officers (Whaley-Eaton Service, Oct. 4 1947). These were a few:

> Gen. Marshall, Secy. of State; Maj. Gen. John H. Hildring, Asst. Secy. of State; Lieut. Gen. Bedell Smith, Ambassador to Moscow; Brig. Gen. Frank Hines, Ambassador to Panama; Gen. Thomas Holcomb, Ambassador to South Africa; Lieut. Gen. Geoffrey Keyes, Governor of Austria; Gen. Lucius Clay, occupation chief in Germany; Gen. Douglas MacArthur, in Japan; Maj. Gen. Frank McCoy, U.S. representative on Far East Commission; Adm. Alan Kirk, Ambassador to Belgium; Brig. Gen. Kenneth Royall, Secy. of Army; Rear Adm. Souers, head of Central Intelligence Agency; Vice Adm. Smith, head of Maritime Commission.

In December, 1945, the President had called for close integration of foreign and military policy, mobilization of industry to back it up. **Business Week,** Sept. 6 & 14, 1946, described planning for industrial mobilization, then already advanced, spoke of the program becoming "a device for social and political control." The **Army-Navy Bulletin,** Jan. 18, 1947, boasted: "Today the Army has virtual control of foreign affairs."

"CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION": Military-big business control was tightened by centralization of power, scrapping traditional governmental forms and practice. The blueprint was drawn in the Pentagon. The late James Forrestal said it was begun in 1942 when the army drew up its ideas for organizing the armed forces. These ideas, he said (in a hitherto secret speech read into the **Record** by Rep. Werdel)

> ". . . were based and always have been upon the concept of a single control of all military effort, that control nominally vested in a civilian, but in actual practise and result, really in the hands of one military chief of staff. . . . It was alien to the basic idea of our government."

The plan called for a single Dept. of War. Marshall, who was working on it as early as 1943, was quoted by Werdel as saying it aimed to free the military from civilian authority (leading to the kind of state where control of the armed forces determines control of government—T.P.) The public first heard about it in 1945 when the top brass, using the atom bomb as justification, demanded a dominant role in government and national life. James Reston, N.Y. **Times,** Sept. 1 1945, wrote that it was generally agreed the new Dept. of War

> . . . must be geared legally, mentally and militarily to strike the first blow, without violating the Constitution, if that can be done, or by changing the Constitution if that is necessary.

THE CLOAKED DAGGER: The first detailed public blueprint was contained in the Thomas Bill to merge the armed forces, written in the Pentagon and introduced in the Senate in April, 1946. Harold Ickes, N.Y. **Post,** May 11, 1946, called it "A Bill to Abolish All Other Departments and Agencies of the Government, Summarily and Secretly." He said the bill would give the military control of every department and agency of government and every aspect of American life.

The Thomas Bill failed to reach a vote in the 79th Congress thanks to angry admirals who didn't like its treatment of the Navy. But the National Security Act, passed by the 80th Congress, though less explicit, was not much different.

Forrestal admitted it provided for "integration of all elements in the nation, not merely of the Army and Navy." The act set up a National Security Council, in which the military has the dominant voice, to take over the most important functions hitherto exercised by the Cabinet.

ADVICE FROM EXPERTS: Congress wrote into the Act an amendment outlawing a single military boss or single chief of staff. But, as Werdel pointed out, this provision was easily bypassed by the simple expedient of naming a military man to head the Dept. of Defense. Said Werdel:

> "For the first time in U.S. history, Gen. Marshall—a five-star career army officer—heads the military branch of our government. In essence, this automatically produces a single Chief of Staff no matter how you look at it. Just because he wears civilian clothes does not make him a civilian."

But this achievement was only the first step toward the goal of outright dictatorship. To facilitate organization of the nation for total war, the Pentagon solicited advice from Nazi generals then in German prison camps. Werdel commented:

> "These studies by the German generals are basic references for those in the Pentagon who believe the only thing wrong with the Supreme Prussian Staff was the people who ran it. Our top brass believes the system is fine because it is a definition of power—power for them."

HOW TO WIN POWER: The Nazi studies are highly classified documents, but Werdel read into the record the most important—a plan drawn by Hitler's former tank general Heinz Guderian—which Werdel called "a blueprint for power, how to acquire it, and how to keep it in time of peace." The plan provides for removal of the President if "there are any objections" to him, and, even if there are not, to put actual command of the armed forces—the role of commander-in-chief—into the hands of a "trained professional."

Front, Brussels

"It reads: 'I was sentenced to 12 years last year, so you can expect me out in a couple of weeks. . . .Von Falkenhausen.'"

In a forthcoming issue the GUARDIAN will report further on the Guderian plan and how it fits into the plan of Morgan, Rockefeller et al. to bring Eisenhower to power.

"FOR THE FUTURE OF MY CHILD"
A Chinese peasant woman signs the peace declaration

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THE MAIL BAG

War in the heart

NEW YORK, N. Y.

The Truman-MacArthur political bout is nothing but a fight between two rival partisans of initiating World War III. Each proclaims devotion to peace yet thinks of little else than of how soon, when and where to start war.

Truman served notice that his "police action" in Korea with its already-admitted more than 10,000 Americans dead, is not going to be called off. And he sent to Europe another five star general to hurry preparations which are in no sense peaceful. MacArthur did his level best to expand his and Dulles' and Truman's "police action" in Korea into the big thing in Asia.

To better judge the utter lack of moral worth of what these two say and what they really mean, a proverb from the Psalms:

"The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart." A. Garcia Diaz

Can Mac can?

MANHATTAN BEACH, CALIF.

Have just advised Sen. Knowland to introduce a bill requiring our General, who left his men in the Philippines to get help, to equip a Canned Gook Dept. This dept. to utilize surplus killed gooks from the "meat grinder" for sale in the U.S. to satisfy the majority of Americans. Our boasted mass production could thus show the world the advantage of "free enterprise" as demonstrated in the Kefauver-Fulbright revelations. W. F. Cooper

The Rosenberg sentence

NEW YORK, N. Y.

In his extraordinary apology for the most extraordinary sentences ever pronounced by a Federal Court in the history of the nation, Judge Irving Kaufman expressly discounted the fact that the foreign power to whom secrets were passed by the atom-spy defendants was not a hostile power, adding his assumption that the "Marxist goal of world revolution . . . was well known to the defendants" at the time. U.S. Attorney Saypol did not skirt the implications of the Espionage Statute so easily. He did not ask for the death penalty. In an obvious effort to reconcile a conviction with the traditional meaning of the Statute, which has heretofore been applied only to persons transmitting intelligence to an enemy belligerent, he pointed out that the law "omits reference to espionage in favor of a nation with whom this country is at war," and concluded therefore that an act of informing even an allied nation could be brought under the Statute. But intent to benefit a hostile nation is implicit in the word "espionage."

Never before has death for espionage been imposed by any of our civil courts, in peace or in war. It is fashionable today to babble about American institutions being threatened. Let us face up to a more imminent evil. Is the concept to which our courts were dedicated —the concept of equal justice under law—defunct? Marcella M. Bostick

Echo in the hills

HANOVER, N. H.

I was damn happy to see you pick up our Zero edit. Unfortunately, Kirkland's words did not exactly set off "a wave of self-searching," although a few guys wondered about it, but not really enough to start a land swell. Let's hope, however, that your optimism is borne out in the course of events.

Your sheet has been a big help to the present staff in picking up civil rights background and other material, especially on labor, that the other periodicals just don't carry.

Franklin T. Laskin
Editor-in-Chief
The Dartmouth

McGee contributions

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Many thanks for the contributions for the Willie McGee defense fund which have reached us via your office. We find it interesting that GUARDIAN readers evidently turn to the GUARDIAN as a clearing house for many good and important things.

Beulah Laire
N. Y. Civil Rights Congress

More on Holdridge

CANTON, O.

What is this talk about some retired army officer heading the Progressive Party? Surely no considerable element in the party would look to a retired army officer for leadership. I know nothing about Holdridge excepting that he sent out some peace literature. But not every one who goes up and down the land crying "Peace, Peace," has peace in his heart. That certain changes will have to be made in the Progressive Party goes without saying. But let us not make the mistake of organizing around any particular man as we did in '48. Let principles be our guide.

This man Holdridge may be a good man. I don't know—but I have the gravest suspicions of the Big Brass—ex or otherwise.

Roy Longnecker

A new party?

OAKLAND, CALIF.

As a charter member of the Progressive Party who went door to door to get signatures on the petition to make it legal, I protest the very idea of another party. The peace issue by which we rallied signatures has been the major issue while our party has been taking deeper root and gaining strength. Its leaders have staunchly and consistently held the fort in its darkest days of scratch and desertion, and their vision and policy could not possibly be broader.

Do they expect us to get out from house to house again and try to explain to the people the need for another? We have too many sectarian groups now; the great need is for unity, and if the people were politically clear-headed they would recognize only one party at this time.

If Duffy and Holdridge have some good ammunition, let them get it to the people NOW; pull the wool from their eyes, blow the smoke from their faces, and blast them out of their dreams. A Progressive

Daily Express, London

"Just who was it who filled in Daddy's occupation as 'Professional hypochondriac with schizophrenic tendencies'?"

Remember the dinos

DENVER, COLO.

Herewith one buck donation. If you got one out of every 150 people you would have a million. Did you know they found dinosaur bones in the uranium mines in western Colorado? The dinos accumulated so much armor they became extinct in the mud. Considering the only uses we can think of for uranium it appears a cycle is rapidly being completed. R. C. Ainslee

Max Werner missed

WHEATLAND, CALIF.

I could easily do without food for a week to renew my sub—but I cannot miss one issue of the GUARDIAN. Facts are what I want and facts are what I get from the GUARDIAN. My heart is heavy from the loss of the great Max Werner. It's a great tragedy to lose such wonderful brains when we need them so badly. Lillian Ransome

Situation in Asia

NEW YORK, N. Y.

I must commend you for your wonderful newspaper art (and often satire) expressed in your first page pictures with their captions. For example, the round, obviously upper class passenger in a bicycle-carriage pedalled by a skinny worker (or pedal pusher) labeled "The Situation In Asia" (April 4) is magnificent. Its parallel may be seen in all of our "free" western nations. H. K.

The hole in the rock

NEW YORK, N. Y.

"Composite signature" (Mailbag, April 4) is responsible for a state of bewildered gray-matter in this writer. He asks—I assume in all seriousness—"What the hell is N.G. for, Peace or Russia?" This being a sort of "second-the-motion" to H. Lightstone's crack (Mar. 7) concerning Russia's saintliness or "lack of it."

Whenever I see or hear this "Peace or Russia" business it looks and sounds altogether screwy to me. Can we have peace in the world without Russia? What kind of a "plug for peace" can the GUARDIAN make by ignoring the main target of our warmakers? What kind of "peace knitting" is it that leaves a hole in the global rock one-sixth its size? When I read in the Bible (Acts 17: 26), "God made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on all the face of the earth," I get an idea that the Russian nation might just possibly be included in that arrangement without doing violence to either logic or sound judgment.

Maybe I'm just stupid instead of just normally ignorant. Stupid or no, I'm for "peace on earth"—and I'm also for unity of action for peace with H. Lightstone and Composite regardless of what they say or think about Russia. Norris Wood

Your halo is ready

NEW HAVEN, CONN.

To those who object that the GUARDIAN is trying to make the Russians appear saintly because it has been reporting accurately the Russian proposals on disarmament and outlawing of the A-bomb, let me say I propose myself for canonization in your next issue, since I don't want an atomic war either. (Nor do quite a number of other people at Yale, come to think of it.)

Yale Instructor

Not as advertised

HOLLYWOOD, CALIF.

All my life I dreamed of coming to the U.S. someday. As I grew up in the Hawaiian Islands, my only thought was to read and learn all I could about our "great U.S." Well, a year or so ago, I finally fulfilled that ambition. To say that what I found here was a disillusionment is to put it mildly.

As a Filipino, born and raised in the Hawaiian Islands, I was told that I would find a "warm, receptive people, a country of democratic individuals." It didn't take me long to discover what life in the U.S. can mean to a member of a minority group.

Discrimination began the moment I hit San Francisco. Small, petty and trivial things. In the optimistic belief that these incidents were "isolated" I shrugged them off.

From San Francisco, I went to Los Angeles. Now, in my profession (show business and writing), there is supposed to be very little discrimination, if any. Another myth exploded.

Because of a very lucky accident, I was able to get hold of one of your issues. After reading it through, I became convinced that "all is not lost." There are a few honest, truthful and fine people left in this country . . . by gum! As long as you continue to print the news as it should be printed (truthfully), there is hope for the thousands of others still to be acquainted with the facts. Teddy Medina

Butter on the bread

BUTTE, MONT.

Algot Nelson, inspired dairy man,
In the Mail Bag boldly said
(Unlike a more cautious or chary man):
"I believe people want real . . . butter on their bread."
Brother and how!—you're not just beating your gums.
So think all eaters of pale margarine.
We want real butter—not guns, and not war drums,
Nor war-starved lives, deficient, lank and lean.
Your words should serve as a great, clarion call—
So simple, so effective, so well said—
For all who think progressive thoughts—for all
Who work for peace—and butter on their bread. Hal Driggs

Up the Buying Service

NORMAL, ILL.

Just a note to let you know that I received the linen order from your Buying Service. The tablecloth and napkins arrived in good condition. I am very pleased with the purchase and would like to thank you for your prompt attention. Your Buying Service is certainly an exceptional and needed consumer "merchandise source." I shall recommend it to my friends.

M. H. Fosse

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WAR & PEACE

MacA. wins Round 1; War strain splits British Govt.

THE American people are "overwhelmingly" against war with China. On the day Gen. MacArthur called on Congress to extend the war in Asia, the Gallup Poll disclosed that Americans, by a 3 to 2 vote, demanded the U.S. seek peace terms acceptable to China as well as itself and condemned the government for not doing so. Only three out of ten agreed with MacArthur that war on China will not bring on World War III.

The same poll showed 62% opposing the general's ouster, only 29% approving. Returning home for the first time in 14 years, MacArthur got a "thundering" welcome in San Francisco (where in the tradition of Presidential aspirants he said: "I do not intend to run for political office"), an "almost hysterical welcome" in Washington, and a record turnout in New York City. The comment of a N.Y. **Times** reporter in Richmond, Va., probably held true for the nation as a whole. The enthusiasm, he wrote, stems from

> . . . the public's low opinion of President Truman . . . [against the Administration's] sorry record Gen. MacArthur comes like Lochinvar out of the West. It has been a long time since this area has had a full-fledged hero. The general has filled a long present vacuum. . . . It should be emphasized that questions of foreign policy and civilian control of the military have nothing to do with public reaction.

Afro-American, Baltimore

"I came, I saw, I Americanized"

SCREAMING "STATESMEN": To Congress MacArthur made what friend and foe alike conceded was a "memorable speech." This was how his performance looked to GUARDIAN's John B. Stone in Washington:

> It had been a long time since Republicans really had an excuse for shouting. Truman had stolen their red-baiting and made it his own. He had menaced Russia more menacingly than they; he had succeeded in keeping just enough war going to serve his purpose.
>
> Now—with nobody (so far as the Congress could see) except the people wanting peace—along came MacArthur to preach world war with enthralling magic. While Democrats politely struck their hands together, even the white-hairedest and most "statesmanlike" Republicans yelled, screamed, hollered, whistled and stamped. When the speaker reached his "Little Nell" peroration about soldiers fading away, men of the widest reputation for sobriety wept. Number one tear-shedders were Sens. John W. Bricker (R-O.) and Margaret Chase Smith (R-Me.).

(To Britons the peroration struck an unintentional note of burlesque. The "Old Soldiers Never Die" ballad is the British "Sweet Adeline," rendered by bibulous choruses in pubs. MacArthur passed up a version which concludes: "Young soldiers wish they would.")

EVERYTHING BUT SENSE: Neither the general nor his listeners were troubled by inherent contradictions in his oration. With one breath he acknowledged the end of colonialism in Asia; in the next put the "entire Pacific Ocean" within "our strategic frontier." Paying tribute to Asia's rising nationalism, he called for war against its greatest symbol—China. China was guilty of "aggressive imperialism"; the U.S. would hang on to China's island Formosa (Taiwan) come what may. Most sensational were his assertions that he had not been consulted about the decision to intervene in Korea (in direct contradiction to news reports last June), and that the Joint Chiefs of Staff had agreed to his program for winning the Korean war.

China, become "a new and dominant power in Asia," could be bombed, blockaded, invaded, to win a quick Korea victory without provoking Soviet action. This was the assertion of the same man who in October, 1945, told official visitors in Tokyo that "a clash between Russia and ourselves out

here is inevitable" and would probably begin on the 38th Parallel in Korea (Albert Z. Carr, **Truman, Stalin and Peace,** pp. 155-6). Walter Lippmann, pointing out that each time since June 25 MacArthur has promised "it was going to take only a little more military action to obtain great and glorious results," wrote angrily:

> It is not fair to the American people to permit them to think that one of the famous generals of our age believes that the wretched war in Korea can be ended victoriously and soon by a few measures which, it would seem, would cost the American people very little.

IS CHOU A GHOST? Repercussions of the speech were only beginning. The Joint Chiefs, without denying his charge, said they would tell appropriate Congressional committees about their "basic disagreements" with the general. MacArthur sources said he would present documents proving the Joint Chiefs okayed his program Jan. 12. An Administration source released to the N.Y. **Times** a documented account of the Wake Island meeting Oct. 15, according to which MacArthur told Truman Russia and China would not intervene, the war would be won by Thanksgiving and the 2nd Divn. ready for European use by January. They were in complete agreement on keeping Formosa, but Truman didn't want to occupy it because that would look like imperialism.

MacArthur replied that no one in the U.S. government, least of all the State Dept., had "the slightest idea" China would intervene; since the decision was taken in Peking beyond the reach of his Intelligence, he implied the responsibility was theirs. Both sides talked as if Chinese Foreign Minister Chou En-lai's statement, 15 days before the Wake meeting—that China would intervene if UN forces crossed the Parallel——had never been made.

The first round was clearly MacArthur's. The **Wall St. Journal** explained that the President

> . . . offered the people an indeterminate war of attrition, an indefinite stalemate. . . . It was not a policy; it was an unbelievable, feeble excuse for a lack of policy. It was no alternative to MacArthur. Against the Administration's dreary and bloody prospect, MacArthur seemed to offer the hope of an end to the fighting.

Calling for a "negotiated settlement", the **Journal** added:

> That avenue has not been adequately, if at all, explored by our own diplomats. The news in the last couple of days of peace feelers from the North Koreans suggests that its accomplishment is at least a possibility.

MEDIATORS AT WORK: But the Administration could not follow the **Journal's** proposals nor the advice proffered by the N.Y. **Times,** Arthur Krock ("when you strike a king you must kill him"), since as the **Times** emphasized there was full agreement on basic premises. Washington had faithfully executed the MacArthur program step by step and, according to the **Wall St. Journal,** might go ahead with his program even now. It dismissed as "propaganda" the peace feeler which came from the North Korean government on the heels of MacArthur's ouster and provoked excitement at UN. To the 12 Arab-Asian mediating nations the Korean proposal for withdrawal of foreign troops (implying a prior ceasefire) and permitting Koreans to settle their own affairs was an important development. They set out to explore all its possibilities. Peking has told the group that the dumping of MacArthur will promote peace only if wholesale bombing and military pressure on North Korea ends, and UN forces show a capacity for creating a lull in the fighting as the Chinese have done a number of times.

The Arab-Asian group is known to believe that the block to negotiated settlement lies in Washington, not Peking. The Korean peace proposal mentioned neither Formosa nor China's seat in UN, which the State Dept. previously claimed to be the chief stumbling-blocks.

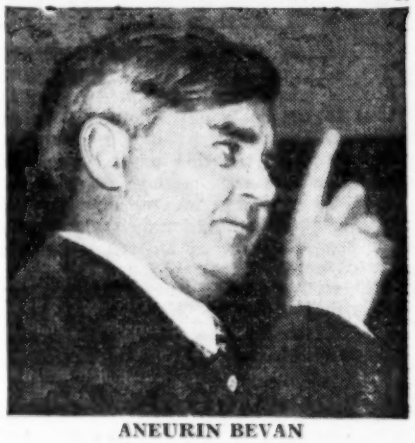
STEPS TO WAR: While the Arab-Asian nations tried for peace, Washington moved to step up its war drive in the Pacific. In the N.Y. **Times** Hanson Baldwin predicted last week that the Korean War would be extended "but by limited means." He mentioned these steps: a U.S. military mission to Chiang Kai-shek; permission for Nationalist attacks on the mainland; aid to guerrillas in China; speeding up rearmament of Japan. Some of these steps were taken before the week-end:

- A "larger than average size" military mission and "greatly increased military aid" were sent to Chiang. The announced aim was "defense," but the N.Y. **Times** reported from Formosa:

> It is very unlikely that new equipment and techniques would be devoted to expansion of what is already a satisfactory defense. The conclusion drawn by most observers here is that the U.S. does intend to help the Nationalists set up an effective attack weapon.

- The State Dept. conferred with representatives of other nations with troops in Korea on applying sanctions, presumably economic, against China.
- The White House announced a Pacific Pact, involving presently Australia, New Zealand and the U.S. (with the implication Japan and the Philippines will be drawn in later). In Tokyo it was reported that John Foster Dulles, MacArthurite now there on Japan "peace treaty" business for Truman, might go to London to overcome British objections to the treaty. (Britain wants curbs on Japanese shipping and textile industries, participation of China and Russia in writing the treaty). In Commons Foreign Minister Morrison said Britain was disappointed at not being included in the Pacific Pact (which weakens Commonwealth ties).

BEVAN CAN'T TAKE IT: British reaction to the MacArthur speech was "cold and hostile" (N.Y. **Times**). Many feared an anti-British campaign would result in the U.S. But the Labour government faced more pressing problems. Shortages of critical materials, as a result of the war drive, threatened "unparalleled industrial disaster," in the words of Harold Wilson, Board of Trade President. The rearmament budget split the Labour Party, with its working majority of only 7 seats in Parliament, wide open. Aneurin Bevan, Minister of Labor and leader of the left wing,



ANEURIN BEVAN
Enough is enough

resigned because the budget

> . . . fails to apportion fairly the burdens of expenditure as between different social classes, [proposes military expenditures] physically unattainable without grave extravagance, [envisages] rising prices as a means of reducing civilian consumption, [begins] destruction of those social services in which labor has taken special pride.

Bevan's resignation, followed by Wilson's, brought to a head the change in Britain's political climate since the beginning of the year. The movement for peace with China and against German remilitarization has swept local organizations of the Labour Party and become the basis for political activity not seen since the 1930's. The whole trade union movement has united behind the demand for an end to compulsory arbitration.

3RD TWILIGHT: Labor's rank and file has demonstrated growing militancy: dockers struck periodically for months against the indictment of seven of their leaders for conspiracy. The case against the leaders was dropped last week when the jury failed to agree on all but one count in the indictment.

In resigning, Bevan did not attack the war policy. A bitter critic of the Soviet Union, he is a brilliant and canny politician and it was generally conceded he was deserting a sinking ship, hoping to capture control of the Labour Party at some time after its defeat. With Attlee in the hospital, Bevin dead, Cripps dying in Switzerland, and socialist pretentions worn almost to vanishing-point by the war budget, the days of Britian's third Labour government seemed numbered.

NEW LOOK AT LENIN: In the Balkans, Yugoslavia received another $29,000,000 U.S. loan for military supplies and undertook a "re-examination" of Lenin. Yugoslav theorists were reported preparing to discard Lenin, get back to Marx and Engels, considered more "sound." In the eastern Mediterranean 70 U.S. war ships and 2,000 U.S. Marines "invaded" Malta in war exercises.

C. L. Sulzberger reported to the N.Y. **Times** that "strange planes have been dropping leaflets on the miserable population" of Albania. He added:

> The Greek Army has been holding very realistic unity maneuvers. "Black" radio broadcasts, obviously emanating from Allied-controlled stations, have been telling the peoples dominated by the U.S.S.R. to be on the alert for possible sabotage cues.

People want a choice for peace

Elmer A. Benson and Vito Marcantonio, chairmen of the Progressive and American Labor parties, issued this joint statement last week:

Gen. MacArthur's speech to Congress makes it clear that the American people . . . must reject both alternatives offered by Gen. MacArthur and President Truman. Neither answers the insistent demand to bring our sons back from Korea.

The General has pointed out that the President's policies would only prolong the stalemate and continue the toll. But all MacArthur offers is the worse alternative of full-scale war against a Chinese people engaged, as he himself admits, in a determined fight to free themselves from colonialism.

The American people want a choice for peace, not between battlefields to die in. MacArthur himself admits that war cannot take the place of a positive policy for peace.

The President tells us he dismissed MacArthur to preserve peace. But when the North Koreans this week offered to negotiate for peace, the State Dept. poured contempt on their offer. The Administration thus again demonstrates that while it talks peace, it continues war; while rejecting MacArthur's alternative of full-scale war in China, it is so frightened by the MacArthurites it does not have the courage to make peace in Korea.

This places the issue of peace squarely in the hands of the American people. Let the people be heard before the lives of more Americans fade away in Korea.

FREEDOMS

Last-ditch fight for Willie McGee

TO top U.S. labor leaders went a wire last week from Mrs. Rosalee McGee inviting them to attend a New York City trade union rally to protest the execution of her husband, Willie McGee, on May 8, on an unproven "rape" charge. None came. From the AFL's Wm. Green there was an excuse: he was not acquainted with the facts. Three thousand who did attend, and who knew the facts, booed.

The meeting pledged to collect 100,000 signatures in New York State to a petition for clemency, endorsed a trade union delegation to Washington April 24, called on the New York City Council to adopt a resolution for clemency.

The National Negro Trade Union Council announced it would call a national conference of Negro union leaders in McGee's behalf.

MICHIGAN CAMPAIGN: In Detroit a Trade Union Committee to save Willie McGee was formed, planned a delegation to the state capital May 2 to ask Gov. Williams to intercede, asked all unions to set the day aside for a labor holiday. The Los Angeles CRC named April 19 as Willie McGee day. In Baltimore 60 citizens formed a Committee for the Abolition of Injustice, concentrated on the McGee case.

Three New York state senators, representing 1,000,000 constituents, urged Wright to grant a stay of execution so new evidence might be reviewed.

FOOTNOTE: In Martinsville, Virginia, where the Martinsville Seven were recently executed on a rape charge, a white man accused of raping a Negro mother of five children was freed without punishment.

TRENTON SIX TRIAL

Cops describe 'gentle' grilling

SIX Trenton, N. J., policemen concerned in the arrest, detention and questioning of the defendants held the stage in the seventh week of the Trenton Six murder trial. With the all-white jury present, they repeated the identical testimony they gave earlier when admissibility of five "confessions" was being decided in the jury's absence. The one big difference was that the cops told the story of how the "confessions" were obtained with the wariness of soldiers in a booby-trapped area instead of, as before, with brash confidence. The reason was clear: Judge Ralph J. Smalley had ruled that "confessions" signed by Ralph Cooper, James Thorpe and John MacKenzie were obtained illegally, after a state witness testified that Cooper and MacKenzie were drugged when they signed and Thorpe said at the time his statement was untrue (GUARDIAN, April 18).

The cops' admittedly well-rehearsed story flatly contradicted the court's findings as to what went on between the men's arrest and their "confessions." But the cops gave their Alice-in-Wonderland narration without any of the score of dynamite-loaded facts, which might blow the case sky high, being detonated.

YOU CAN'T ASK WHY: The week's baldest admission was that the police had no evidence except the "confessions" linking any of the defendants to the crime for which they have been held over three years in jail. But objections by prosecutor Mario H. Volpe, upheld by Judge Smalley, made it impossible for the defense to explore why, in view of this, police acted as they did. Perplexed by the court's ruling-out of such questioning, defense attorney Pellettieri said: "It's fundamental on cross-examination to be able to ask why." In 25 years of criminal law practice he had never encountered anything similar to the rulings, he said.

Police described how three squad cars had arrived at dawn at the shack where Wilson and Cooper were arrested without warrants and without complaints against them. "We knocked courteously on the door and were invited in." The sergeant present during the first 60 hours of English's questioning said it was done by "no more than seven or eight policemen" at one time, and they acted "very softly" and at all times "gently."

WHAT COULD THAT BE? The police lieutenant, who was acting captain when the "confessions" were being obtained during as long as five days, was asked if he had checked any of the defendants' alibis. "That," he said, "is a pretty hard question to answer."

A member of Trenton's police force for 34 years, the lieutenant, before answering "No" to the question whether there was any evidence against the defendants, asked:

"What do you mean by evidence?"

PEACE

Canadians launch Pact petition drive

EVERY part of Canada, every kind of organization sent delegates—2,670 of them—to a two-day National Peace Assembly in Toronto. With nearly 900 others participating by mail, it was the largest gathering of its kind in the country's history; the 500 delegates from French-speaking Quebec were the largest group ever to leave that province in a body for a national gathering. Voting unanimously, the Assembly launched a country-wide campaign to collect signatures to this petition:

> To fulfill the hopes for peace cherished by millions throughout the world regardless of their views as to the reasons for the danger of world war, we urge the government of Canada to call for a pact of peace among the five great powers—the U. S., the U. S. S. R., the Chinese People's Republic, Great Britain, France—this pact to be open to all countries.
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> Refusal by the government of any great power to meet for the purpose of concluding such a Pact would reveal aggressive designs on the part of that government.

Such a five-power pact was first proposed by the World Council for Peace. Signature drives in its behalf, already under way in Hungary, are set to begin in a score of other countries in a campaign that may surpass the Stockholm Peace Pledge campaign against the A-bomb, signed by 500,000,000 persons.

"NO MORE WAR!" The Assembly also endorsed the nine-point program addressed to UN by the World Peace Congress: cessation of war in Korea; no re-armament of Germany or Japan; freedom of colonial peoples; oppose all aggression; outlaw war propaganda; examine war crimes in Korea; universal disarmament; free trade and free cultural exchange among all nations.

Canada's Peace Congress is headed by Dr. James Endicott, who spent most of his life as a United Church missionary in China, served as adviser to the Dept. of External Affairs, supplied intelligence to the U.S. State Dept. and resigned his church position in 1947 to devote himself to the cause of peace. He presented to the Assembly a unanimously-adopted Statement of Peace Aims:

> Believing that the cause of world peace lies in the hands of an aroused people, who want above all to save their lives, their families, their homes, their democratic institutions and their country from the catastrophe of an atomic war, and to permit all other people to fashion their own way of life, the National Assembly to Save Peace calls upon all Canadians whatever their politics or creed, to unite in a great peace crusade around the slogan: No more war! Peace through negotiation!

THE YAHOOS: Except for the labor and left-wing press, Canadian newspapers ignored the assembly; no U.S. commercial paper reported it. A concluding rally at Toronto's historic Massey Hall was attacked by a 400-strong band of European fascists brought to Canada as displaced persons. But Bruce Mickleburgh, an officer of the Canadian Peace Congress, reported:

> The greatest discipline and restraint were practised by thousands of peaceful citizens who persisted in running the gauntlet to attend the meeting, and by ushers who maintained meticulous order inside. This victory has thrown a note of militancy into the first stages of the new campaign, and scores of organizations are already printing petition forms across the country.

By last week the first signed ones were coming in.

DR. CLEMENTINA PAOLONE
In some places, welcome

Peaceful hundreds besiege UN delegates

FROM noon to late afternoon on Thursday UN headquarters in New York City was besieged by a series of peace delegations, mostly women, many with baby carriages. From top UN officials—once they managed to penetrate an extraordinary blockade of police—they received earnest assurances that such expressions by the people were welcomed. Benjamin Cohen, assistant to the Secretary General, told an official American Peace Crusade delegation headed by Dr. Clementina J. Paolone:

> "It is important that people of conscience are becoming more and more conscious of the fact that they have to tell their governments they want peace. . . . To us, the important thing is that people of all kinds of ideological beliefs, representing all kinds of economic and racial groups, want peace. If the peoples are the cornerstone of the organization of things, they should be strong enough to make their governments act."

More than 600 persons participated and received more consideration than any similar delegations in the past, but the big New York papers found the incident un-newsworthy. Most failed to report it. **The Times** gave it seven lines on page 51.

300 GET INSIDE: Police and UN guards barred the women from the UN building for several hours, but John Cosgrove, chief of the security force, finally allowed them to enter in small

THE LATEST NORTH KOREAN CABLE TO THE UN

Don't read this if you get sick easily

Beyond reporting that the State Dept. had dismissed it as "propaganda," the U.S. press ignored last week's message to UN from North Korean Foreign Minister Pak Hen En. The 6-page message ended with a suggestion for peace talks (see p. 3). We publish below approximately one of the 5½ previous pages—a documented recital (of which this excerpt is typical) of atrocities committed by UN forces in Korea. We offer no comment other than to refer readers to the N. Y. Times report (April 11) from correspondent George Barrett in Korea, discribing the massacre of "perhaps 500 to 1,000" men, women and children of the village of Shim-Um Mium—one of the few reports of Nazi-style atrocities by UN troops to appear in a U.S. paper.

At the beginning of October, 1950, the Americans arrested 135 employees of the people's committees, members of the democratic parties and public bodies and members of their families in the Kokha district, Pkhadjiu region, Kengi province; bound them, laid them on the road and crushed them with tanks. On 28 October, 1950, in the town of Sondzin, now Kimschak, northern Khamgen province, Syngman Rhee followers arrested 30 inhabitants on the charge of sympathizing with the reds. They subjected them to electric shocks and then shot them all in front of the municipal theatre. On 23 November Syngman Rhee soldiers in the Khaknam district, Khaksen region, northern Khamgen province, arrested 28 party activists, including the chairman of the district people's committee Kim Dong Khu. They took them all to the mountains, poured petrol over them and burned them alive. On 9 October, 1950, Syngman Rhee followers killed Sin Gi Siu, chairman of the people's committee of the village

of Khinsinni, Yancon district, Kimpkho region, after first cutting off his arms and legs, decapitating him and cutting his body to pieces.

On 20 December Syngman Rhee followers arrested Sin Yak Shen, activist of the League of Democratic Youth living in the Danson section of the town of Wonsan, Konwon province; they stripped, bound and tortured her, burning her genitals with a candle-flame, as a result of which she lost consciousness; they then killed her. On 25 December, 1950, Syngman Rhee followers burned at the stake Kim Dzin Son, deputy president of the Labour Party organization of the village of Dzinur, Onchen district, Sinshen region. On 25 December, 1950, Americans and Syngman Rhee followers arrested a pregnant woman named So Do Dzo living in the village of Okton, Somen district, Phengan region, province of Kanwon, because her husband had joined the People's Army. They stripped her naked, led her through the village, and then stabbed her with bayonets. On 5 January, 1951, Syngman Rhee followers seized a member of the Labour Party called Gon Khi Du living in Kankhen district, Yanyan region and killed him, sawing him into three parts.

Innumerable examples exist of such bestial extermination of the Korean people. In the Onchen district alone, Sinchen region, province of Khvankhe, on 2 February, 1951, the number of peaceful inhabitants found amounted to 1,392; in the whole of the Sinchen region over 25,000 persons were killed, and the number killed in the whole of Khvankhe province exceeds 100,000. When the Americans withdrew, threatening to use atomic bombs, they drove off to the south a crowd of inhabitants, most of whom they slew en route.

groups. Some 300 found their way inside and Andrew Cordier, executive assistant to Trygve Lie, addressed them. One asked him:

> "If it was possible for us to cut through the red tape and get into the UN lobby, isn't it possible for the UN to cut through the red tape and establish peace?"

Three other groups had UN interviews during the day. Dr. W. E. B. DuBois led one to Minister Dayal of the Indian delegation and left a statement expressing the concern of 15,000,000 U.S. Negroes for peace. Another was told by Ambassador Fawzi Bey of the Egyptian delegation that the aim of the 12 Arab-Asian nations has from the start been to get all interested parties to sit down and work out a peaceful settlement. A third group calling on the U.S. delegation got to see only a minor information officer who said recent proposals of the North Korean government are only "propaganda."

Big ALP peace drive under way

ON April 26 every American Labor Party club throughout New York State is to meet, with peace the prime point on the agenda.

State Chairman Vito Marcantonio, speaking by means of a specially-made recording, will touch off ALP's most concerted peace drive. (Plans had been made for a statewide broadcast, but stations refused time. After June 5, when the election season opens, officially, stations can be compelled to lease time.)

Until June 4 no executive committee, no ALP club is to start meetings before 9:30 p.m., so that members may give every spare moment to canvassing for peace.

PEACE IN THE STREETS: Peace canvassers are to poll their neighbors on Korea, rearmament of Germany and the war program at home (see ballot form, right). On May 8, VE Day, first returns of the tally will be announced and clubs everywhere will hold street-corner and clubhouse meetings to give the measure of New York's peace strength.

Stickers and stamps for peace will be in the hands of ALP members in large enough quantities to plaster walls, barns and railroad cars throughout the state.

Two Saturdays, May 12 and 19, are designated by the ALP state office for taking peace to the streets. Tables on street corners, placards on walls, leaflet distributions, sound trucks are called for.

People's Poll

SECRET BALLOT - - - DO NOT SIGN

After you mark ballot, fold and drop in ballot box.

		YES	NO
1	Do you agree that we should bring our boys home from Korea and negotiate peace with China now?	☐	☐
2	Do you agree that Nazi War Criminals should be held in jail and Germany kept disarmed?	☐	☐
3	Do you agree that the War Program soaks you and swells the profits of big business?	☐	☐

THIS IS THE AMERICAN LABOR PARTY PEACE BALLOT

ON THE RECORD: From May 20-27, delegations in every community are to visit political, religious and social leaders, ask their views on peace or war, get them on the record, rally support for peace wherever it can be found.

May 28 is the day tentatively set for a large New York City forum, where speakers of every divergent view can gather on one platform and talk out the issue of peace or war.

Other plans include a solemn commemoration of the war dead and a tribute to Franklin D. Roosevelt at Hyde Park May 30.

MAC-DAY MESSAGE: Even before the drive began, campaigns of letters and telegrams to the President and Congress were sparked by many clubs. On April 25, a delegation of the newly-formed ALP Women's Committee was to visit UN officials.

While Gen. MacArthur toured the city on Friday ALP leaflets fluttered down over the marchers. They read:

> Americans! You forced MacArthur out. Now bring our boys home. Stop the spilling of more precious American blood. Talk up for peace.

Also on Mac-Day, ALP leaders pointed out, the last act of the sales-tax grab was played. Quietly, scarcely noticed by press or public during the day of parades, ticker-tape and hysteria, Mayor Impellitteri held the last "public hearing" on the measure to boost the sales tax from 2 to 3%. Opposition to it was almost unanimous, but the mayor announced beforehand that he would sign it. It goes into effect May 1.

PROGRESSIVE PARTY

PP urges an American America

SUMMARY of resolutions and actions approved by the National Committee of the Progressive Party at its three-day meeting with state directors and delegates in Chicago April 14-16:

• **Domestic impact of the arms program** (supplementing the resolution on peace and the removal of Gen. MacArthur, GUARDIAN, April 18):

> The Progressive Party recognizes that the attack on the living standards of the people is tied to the bipartisan war-like foreign policy. We have resisted and shall continue to resist both the foreign policy and the attack on our living standards. It is only those who have tied themselves to the erratic kite of this foreign policy who are unable effectively to fight now against the cut in living standards, the high prices, high taxes, high profits and wage freeze economy.

The delegates unanimously called for removal of wage freeze and labor controls; across-the-board dollars-and-cents price controls in place of present "margin controls" which guarantee price increases; price rollbacks to pre-Korea levels; grade labeling; rent controls; a revision of Administration tax proposal to eliminate sales and excise levies, exempt families of four up to $4,000, and tax corporations an additional six to eight billions.

• **McCarran Act:**

Quoting the Yale Law School faculty statement in 1947 that "a pattern of repression is developing at the highest levels of the federal government," the resolution accused the bipartisan Administration of seeking to

> . . . silence, confuse and browbeat the people and create an atmosphere of increasing hysteria to hide the war aims and big business domination of the Administration.

It called for national support for H.R. 3118, introduced by Rep. Sabath of Illinois, to repeal the McCarran Act; and for dropping the McCarran Board hearings against the Communist Party.

• **Indictment of Dr. W. E. B. DuBois** and others for failure to register as agents of a foreign principal" as heads of the Peace Information Center:

> The indictment is a confession of fear —fear of the people, fear of their rising demand for peace, fear of peace itself. . . . The voice of Dr. DuBois will not be silenced. It is the voice of the people thundering against colonialism and race exploitation in America. Peace will not be silenced by indictments. . . . We demand that the President and the Attorney General quash the indictments.

• **Willie McGee:**

> The legal lynching of Willie McGee in Mississippi seeks to intimidate an entire people, not to secure justice. We urge that the Progressive Party nationally and locally place the fight for the life of Willie McGee first in its actions.

> We call upon the Kefauver Committee to investigate events surrounding the arrest and trials of Willie McGee as an example of the lawlessness of law enforcement which increasingly characterizes the treatment of the Negro people.

• **1952 Presidential Campaign** (from the report of Secy. C. B. Baldwin):

> It is urgent that we at all times make clear our willingness to work in concert with all groups and individuals that advance the welfare of the people.
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> The opportunity for peace candidacy in 1952 should be bright. The profound changes that have taken place in the public mind have not yet reached a point where specific plans can be made, but our work and attitudes during the crucial months ahead may well determine whether or not a coalition can be formed. With this in mind as our major objective we must also resolve that under no circumstances will we allow the 1952 election campaign to begin without the people having an alternative to the war policies of the bipartisan coalition.

• The resolution on farm problems will be treated at length in a subsequent GUARDIAN.

CALIFORNIA

Malvina Reynolds stirs Long Beach

ON week-end afternoons at the University of Rainbow Pier (Long Beach, Calif.'s Hyde Park) Malvina Reynolds has campaigned for pensions, rent control, civil rights, lower prices and peace.

As a candidate for City Council from Long Beach's 3rd District, she directs her fire at the "moral blindness" that allows Long Beach's corrupt municipal government to hold office. Elections, with all candidates "non-partisan," are set for May 8 and June 5.

She calls attention to the "smell of Standard Oil that hangs over the City Hall and its boards and commissions."

MALODOROUS: Here are some of the ingredients of that smell:

• In 1941 Mayor Chase was legally convicted, along with others, of conspiracy to defraud the city by fixing high lumber prices. He was got off scot free and was reelected—the press delicately passing over the incident.

• The city's printing, contracted without competitive bidding, goes mainly to the Long Beach **Press-Telegram**. Six printers get 90% of it.

• When a movement for continued rent control swept the city, the council lifted rent ceilings.

• The Mayor has openly advocated cutting pensions.

• Amid a shortage of parks, playgrounds and housing, juvenile delinquency is on the rise.

Michigan election returns

Returns from Michigan's statewide election for supreme court justices gave Progressive Party candidates Morton Eden and C. LeBron Simmons nearly 25,000 votes each in Wayne Co. Winning Republican candidates polled over 100,000.

LABOR

Fighting sea cooks step up fight

EMBATTLED on many fronts but standing confidently on its record, the Natl. Union of Marine Cooks & Stewards was preparing last week to celebrate its 50th birthday at its biennial convention at Commandery Hall, San Francisco, May 1.

It pointed to this record:

> • Best wages on any waterfront, averaging $63 a month more than what CIO's Natl. Maritime Union has won; hiring hall; 40-hour week.
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> • It forced shipowners to negotiate, though they swore they would never sit at the table with MSC "reds."
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> • Welfare provisions won last month—$35 weekly payments for 26 weeks to sick MCS men ($42 if injured on the job), free hospitalization plus $8 a day for the first 12 days (in California hospitals), sick benefits for members' wives and children beginning June 1.

THE AMERICAN WAY: The other side of the record: MCS and its members have stood up for peace, for freeing of Willie McGee, for McCarran Act repeal, fair employment practices, adequate housing. And not only in its own organization, but on much of the waterfront, it has beaten down jim-crow: it forced shipowners to sign an airtight no-discrimination cause.

Forty percent of MCS' 5,000 members are estimated to be white, 40% Negro, 20% Chinese, Puerto Rican, Filipino (no nationality records are kept). Though the leadership has always been representative, last year two white officials stepped aside on the ground that more Negroes ought to be in office.

MCS president Hugh Bryson has called for cooperation of all progressive unions, and has developed a thorough working unity with the Intl. Longshoremen and Warehousemen.

Paul Robeson, Harry Bridges and ALP chairman Vito Marcantonio will speak at the MCS convention.

THE BIG RAID: The union enters its its 50th year with six weeks to go before contracts with the shipowners expire. The NMU has already petitioned for an NLRB election. MCS officials expect NLRB to call an election whether NMU gathers the required 30% of the membership on their petitions or not. They expect the shipowners, during the 90 election days, to refuse to negotiate, extend the contract—or use the MCS hiring hall. If that crisis comes MCS is banking on ILWU solidarity to see that no ship manned off the piers sails from a west coast port.

The NMU raid has been among the most strenuously pushed in the entire CIO. The **Pilot**, NMU organ, editorially warned the "gullible Chinese, Filipino, American and West Indian Negro, Mexican, South American Mixed-bloods . . . social outcasts and depressed persons" not to be "hog-tied" by MCS, then issued this call:

> Well, West Coast brothers, most of you who come from Texas, Oklahoma, Alabama and Louisiana, is it not time that you stopped this Bryson gang from kidding along with those misled, bewildered Negro, Chinese, South American "racial minorities"?

SCREEN VICTIMS: How successful the raids have been will be seen in next week's convention. But while on one front MCS fights off the government's approved labor movement, on still another it must take on the government itself. The Coast Guard now screens all waterfront workers, giving to those it approves a certificate of loyalty, enabling the company to toss out of their jobs those it disapproves. NMU endorses the program. The ILWU at its last convention voted not to cooperate. MCS, Bryson predicted, may take more drastic action.

Meanwhile the blacklist steadily grows. Trial procedures allow limited defense, no cross-questioning of accusers, no appeal beyond the Coast Guard. Many are screened who have only the mildest reputation as waterfront rank-and-filers. Those screened off ships find little hope of jobs except where the ILWU can get them work as longshoremen. Among those screened recently are one wearer of the Distinguished Service Cross, another who on the very day he was tossed off his job as a "security risk" was drafted.

A new list of American POWs made public by the Chinese

NATIONAL GUARDIAN has received the names and details below from China Monthly Review, edited by U. S. - born John W. Powell in Shanghai. We regret that space limitations prevent running more names in this issue. If you want us to check our list for any name not appearing here, call, write or wire us and we will be glad to give you whatever information we may have in advance of publication of the rest of the names we have thus far received from China. Save this issue till the alphabetical list is completed.

Easley, Billie Joe, 7th Inf. Div.
Edwards, Pfc. Irvin, 32nd Infantry, Mrs. Wm. Herrel, Broad Run, Va.
Edwards, Jomes, wife, P. O. Box 223, Montevallo, Ala.
Edwards, Pfc. Sam Boone, 7th Div.
Eklund, Capt. Edwin, wife, c/o B. O'Neill, 20 Park Dr., Bel Harbour, Miami Beach, Fla.
Ekkenbarger, John, R.A. 11168550
Ellis, Capt. Alfred Q., wife 1423 S. 51st St., Tacoma, Wash.
Enfinger, Sgt. Edgar, 6927585
England, Cpl. Joe, R.A. 14296565
Englehart, Pfc. Wm. M., 7th Cavalry Div.
Estep, Pfc. Harold R., R.A. 13331286
Estess, Sgt. Morris L., 1st Marine Div.
Evans, Pfc. Edward Richard, 7th Div.
Evans, Pfc. Lloyd R., R.A. 18283029
Evans, Pvt. Vernon Lee, 3rd Div.
Evens, Pfc. Billy, 18292622
Fardly, Cpl. Edgar, 18277496
Farley, Pfc. Roy E., 7th Div.
Feather, Pvt. R. B., R.A. 13333425
Fetterer, Sgt. V. L., R.A. 16097612
Flager, Pfc. G. R., 46320248
Flaherty, Cpl. M. W., R.A. 51095012
Fleeger, Cpl. Harry R., 7th Div.
Fleming, Pfc. C. L., R.A. 12330496
Fleming, Cpl. Eugene, R.A. 13265463
Flores, Nick A., 1st Marine Div.
Foil, Pfc. Thos. E., 31st Div.
Foote, Pvt. Geo. L., 7th Div.
Forlales, Sgt. Gabriel, 7th Div, wife Odiongong, Romblon, Philippines
Fortuna, Cpl. Andrew, R.A. 36984833
Fountain, Pfc. Clarence, 1832(?)2923
Franklin, Sgt. Andrew E., R.A. 46032325
Franklin, 1st Lt. Edwin J., U.S. advisory group
Frantzich, 1st Lt. Albert G., O-1541420
Friday, Cpl. Jos. F., 3rd Div.

Goble, Pvt. Cecil J., R.A. 14333995
Gage, Pvt. Kenneth L., R.A. 16305759
Galorneau, Pfc. Clayton L., 7th Div.
Galing, 1st Lt. Bernard W., O-60574
Gallaher, Cpl. Joe C., 7th Div.
Gallardo, Pfc. Richard D., 7th Div.
Galusha, Pfc. Vernon L., 7th Div.
Gambrel, Harry P. Jr., 3rd Div.
Garces, Cpl. Albino, R.A. 18225243
Garcia, Pfc. Abel, R.A. 18256124
Garcia, Cpl. Chas. M., R.A. 17255878
Gardiner, Sgt. Jos. T., R.A. 36828674
Gass, Sgt. Bill, R.A. 14219269
Gawson, Pfc. Kenneth E., R.A. 16304651
Geyer, Sgt. Wm., R.A. 46012153, wife 743½ Tacoma Av., Tacoma, Wash.
Giannini, Pfc. Michael A., 7th Div.
Gill, Sgt. Eugene G., R.A. 15241570
Gillreath, Pfc. Franklin O., 18348790
Glaser, Cpl. Mannin L., 7th Div.
Glasgow, Geo. Wm., 7th Div.
Glasgow, Cpl. Jos. E., 1st Marine Div.
Glenn, Pvt. Otis L., 14288275
Godfrey, Cpl. Larry M., 57th F.A. Batt'n
Goforth, Cpl. Alf. A., R.A. 1932(?)4755
Goforth, J. D., 7th Div.
Gonzales, Pfc. Hipolito P., R.A. 39267598
Gonzales, Cpl. Lucio, R.A. 39763516
Gonzales, Pvt. Marcos, 38249362
Gonzalez, Pvt. Andrew L., R.A. 18278123
Gonzalez, Pfc. Gregorio, 7th Div.
Gonzalez, Pfc. Roberto H., 3rd Div.
Gordon, M/Sgt. Roy, R.A. 20717114, wife 1436 East 46th St., Tacoma, Wash.
Gorka, Pvt. Earl Don, 7th Div.
Gracey, Sgt. Burton A., 13224863
Grahl, Hans Walter, 1st Marine Div.
Graves, Robt. E., R.A. 42250173
Gray, Paul Stanley, 3rd Div.
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THANK you for your kindness and consideration on my recent inquiry to your office regarding my son Julius who is a prisoner of war somewhere in Korea.

May I extend my appreciation for the part your paper is playing in getting some faint bit of news to us who are so worried and anxious about our "missing" kin.

May I also, through your paper, thank the person or persons who first broadcast my son's message over the Peking Radio in January. That was the first ray of hope we had since last Nov. 2 that all was still well with my boy. Also the Chinese People's Peace Committee in Peking who are endeavoring to get mail through to the prisoners from their nearest relatives (one letter per month).

I have advised several other mothers and wives to contact your office in an effort to ascertain whether or not their kin's names are on the list made available to your paper, and have informed others whose names have already been published. I have also been the recipient of many cards and letters from all over the U.S., since my son's name was in your March 7 issue.

Please continue publishing these items about the prisoners, for I know it instills hope in many a heart which would have despaired of good news long ago.

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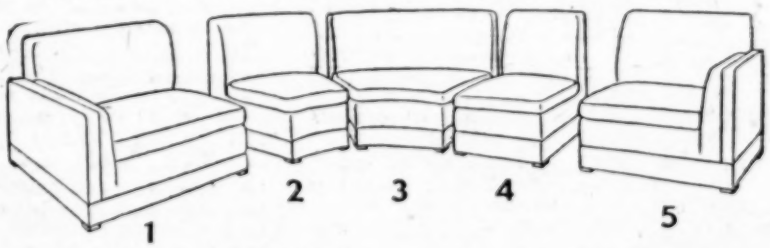

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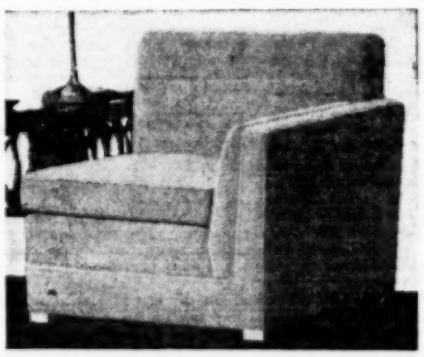

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